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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the Office action mailed February 13, 2007, the response to which is due August 13, 2007, entry of the amendments made herein and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.